

## FINE CALABASH IS PRESENT TO SHRINER HEAD

Presentations Made at Farewell Ball at Moana; Visitors Left Today

As a token of their regard for the man who came here to inspect the Honolulu Shrine, members of Aloha Temple, Shriners presented Imperial Potentate J. Putnam Stevens with a handsome and beautifully finished calabash, the presentation forming part of the program at the farewell ball given at the Moana hotel last night for the visiting Shriners.

In a brief but well-worded speech, Imperial Potentate Stevens accepted the gift. He told of his admiration for Honolulu, the people of the city, and the members and work of Aloha Temple, and declared that some day he would return to these islands to become better acquainted with the local members of the big order.

The dance was easily one of the big social events of the season. Between 700 and 800 persons attended, including local and visiting Shriners, with their friends and ladies. The dancing did not end until far into the morning. One of Ernest Kaul's orchestras, composed of 18 singers and players, furnished the music.

Aside from the presentation to the Imperial Potentate, another of interest was that to Lester Petrie, captain of the Arab Patrol, which has made an excellent showing both at home and on the mainland. The gift was a large silver plate, appropriately engraved, it being presented by those members of Aloha Temple who are visiting in Honolulu, and who are better known as the Islam Scouts.

Mrs. J. S. McCandless, whose husband, "Sunny Jim" McCandless, is a member of the Imperial Divan; and Mrs. Thomas E. Wall were presented with attractive silver vases filled with roses. While there was no set reception last night, the "get-acquainted" spirit prevailed throughout the affair, giving the visitors ample opportunity to meet the members of Aloha Temple and their relatives and friends.

Imperial Potentate Stevens and practically all of the members of the visiting party were to return to the coast in the steamer Great Northern at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Members of Aloha Temple had planned a royal send-off, with leis and flowers for distribution among those departing.

Today was given over to sight-seeing, Imperial Potentate Stevens and other members of the party spending the morning swimming and surfing at Waikiki Beach. Lester Petrie accompanied a party about Honolulu and vicinity.

### LETTERS

#### TRUTH ABOUT CHINESE SITUATION.

Honolulu, T. H., April 4, 1916.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin,  
Dear Sir:—Referring to a column appearing in your last Saturday's issue headed "Local Chinese to hold rally after victory," in the last paragraph of which you quoted that "it is rumored that Consul Tsung Woo-huan has received a cable from China that if he is wise he will not oppose any movement on the part of the Nation-

## HILO CONVENTION AND COUNTY FAIR PLANS PROGRESS

Invitations Sent Out to All Civic Organizations of Islands for September

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)  
HILO, Hawaii, April 3.—Invitations were sent out last week to all the civic organizations of the territory to attend the fifth annual civic convention which is to be held in Hilo September 21-25. All the heads of the various bodies were asked to make suggestions as to what matters might be taken up for discussion at the convention, and already some valuable suggestions have been made. Acceptances to the Hilo invitation to be present at the convention are pouring in, and there is every indication that there will be a record attendance at the big gathering.

Hilo will have two great attractions for the visitors to this city during the third week in September. Besides the convention, there will be the annual county fair and the delegates to the first named affair will be the guests of the city to the latter.

The fair is attracting a lot of attention, and the committee in charge, headed by Dr. H. B. Elliot, is working hard on the proposition. The prize lists will be announced next Tuesday, as there is to be a meeting of the committee to take up that matter on Monday evening.

Promises of entries are coming in very fast and there will be exhibits from every section of the country. Prizes are also being donated by many people, and the latest to be presented is a fine sewing machine which has been given by E. H. Moses for the best school exhibit.

Hilo business houses are taking up the scheme of President William McKay of the Hilo Board of Trade and are having special envelopes and stationery printed advertising the convention and fair. Some of the businessmen are sending out cards telling of the two big gatherings in every letter and statement they mail.

alist party, etc." I now beg to say that such a statement is absolutely untrue. It is a fact, however, that unless under orders from my government, it is outside of my duty limit to oppose any movement on the part of the Chinese residents in these islands.

The celebration on Saturday was brought about by telegraphic stories circulated in the town by the United Chinese Society in printed papers that the governor of Canton had been assassinated and that that capital city was in the hands of the Revolutionist party. These stories would only amuse non-Chinese who read them, but worry many who have families and property in Canton as a matter of fact. On that day innumerable telephone calls and personal visits were made at the consulate inquiring for true information, and many made requests that I should send a cable to my government to find out the truth. This request has been complied with, and late yesterday evening I received a cable reply saying that Canton is quiet and the paper stories are absolutely untrue. For humanity sake I consider it my duty to ask you to kindly insert these lines in your valuable paper.

TSZ-ANG WOOHUAN,  
Consul of China.

## THETIS OFFICERS RECEIVE ORDERS TO NEW DUTIES

Personnel of Popular Cutter Will Soon Be Serving on Half-Dozen Ships

Preparatory orders received by Capt. J. H. Brown, commander of the coast guard cutter Thetis, which has been ordered to San Francisco presumably to go out of commission, announce the new stations of the cutter's officers. Capt. Brown made them public today.

Capt. Brown will probably go to the northern division, with headquarters in Seattle.

First Lieut. W. H. Munter, executive officer, remains temporarily with the Thetis after she reaches San Francisco, as does also 2nd Lieut. S. V. Parker.

Second Lieut. W. E. Eberly is going to the coast guard cutter Manning, stationed at Astoria, Wash.

Chief Engineer George David goes to the coast guard cutter McCulloch, which is now steaming here from San Francisco to convey the Thetis to the coast. Mr. David will not be assigned to the McCulloch until after the Thetis reaches San Francisco.

Third Lieut. of Engineers G. R. O'Connor is assigned to the coast guard cutter Bear, stationed on the North Pacific coast.

Third Lieut. G. U. Stewart will report for duty on board the coast guard cutter Snohomish, stationed at Port Angeles, Wash.

Boatswain W. A. Hallberg is ordered to the coast guard tug Golden Gate, stationed at San Francisco.

Guesser Henry E. Smith and Machinist Alden E. Blood are assigned to service on the McCulloch after the Thetis reaches the coast.

Mrs. Brown, wife of Capt. Brown, will leave for San Francisco on the next transport, the Logan, due to arrive from Manila next Monday, April 10.

"We are sorry to leave Honolulu," says Capt. Brown today, "as we have all enjoyed our stay in this city very much."

The McCulloch is expected to arrive from San Francisco about Thursday. The Thetis is ready to leave at any time.

## GREAT RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE NOW ALMOST STOPPED

(Continued from page one)

ments on the Firth of Forth and Newcastle, and important places of shipbuilding works, as well as blast furnaces and factories on the Tyne river. Explosive and incendiary bombs were thrown with very good success.

"Numerous fires and violent explosions, with extensive demonstrations resulted. One battery near Newcastle was silenced. In spite of heavy shelling from anti-aircraft guns, all of the airships returned to their base and landed safely."

German Headquarters Report, April 2.—Near Fay, south of the Somme, the enemy started an attack after a short artillery preparation, but its development was hindered by German fire.

"The French shelled Bethuneville, east of Rheims, causing a heavy loss among their own country people, killing three women and one child and wounding five men, four women and one child badly. East of the Meuse the Germans took positions after careful artillery preparation. This morning in the Vaux section here the French fire increased to the utmost violence, after which the expected counter attack was undertaken, but broke down under the heavy fire of German machine guns and artillery.

"Besides large losses the enemy lost 11 officers and 720 men taken prisoner as well as five guns.

"Today the aviators were active on both sides, causing numerous air engagements which were successful for the Germans. Four aeroplanes of the enemy were shot down beyond the German front and near Hollekeke, an English biplane was shot down and the inmates imprisoned. Here 1st Lieut. Berthold ditched his fourth aeroplane, while southwest of Lens a German anti-aircraft gun disabled an enemy aeroplane and hurled it to the ground, burning. The town of Doubaix west of Verdun, where large numbers of troops were assembled and the site of an aeronautic field was bombarded.

"On the east front the situation is generally unchanged."

Yesterday.  
German Headquarters Report, April 4.—West of the Meuse all the enemy's positions north of Forges rivulet between Haucourt and Bethune are firmly in German hands.

"German troops are fighting about the French trenches and points d'Appuis southwest and south of the fortress of Douaumont.

"On the east front there is nothing important.

"The German air squadrons have thrown bombs on eastern railroad stations on the road to Minsk, and also on camps of the Russians. A German airship bombarded the railroad station at Minsk.

"During the night of April 3-4 army and navy aeroplanes attacked London docks and other military points on the British east coast, and also bombarded Dunkirk.

The Russian Offensive.  
The following army order concern-

## LOCAL WOMAN'S SOCIETY MAKES MUCH PROGRESS

Reports Presented Today Show Increase of Work in All Branches

A group of interesting reports presented by the different officers and chairmen of the Women's Society of Central Union church outlined the progress made during the first quarter of 1916, at a meeting of the society today.

Mrs. John Trenholm Warren presided and Mrs. Robert Day Williams led in the devotional exercises. In the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Webster, Mrs. H. Stuart Johnson read her report and assumed the usual secretarial duties. All departments showed gratifying progress as their activities were outlined by the various enthusiastic chairmen: Mrs. W. J. Forbes for the finance committee, Mrs. R. D. Williams for the religious work committee, Mrs. C. H. Tracy for the house committee, Mrs. W. R. Haley for membership, Miss Martha Hitchcock for educational work which the society is doing in supporting eight girls at Kawaiahae Seminary; Mrs. Stanley Stephenson for the infants' outfit committee, Mrs. H. S. Johnson for the courtesy committee, Mrs. R. G. Moore for the Men's League supper committee, Mrs. P. M. Pond for the calling committee, and Mrs. Warren for the church decoration committee. Mrs. A. F. Griffiths reported upon the social activities of the Neighborhood Circles.

Mrs. W. H. Baird of St. Andrew's cathedral guild presented the plans for a cherry blossom fête to be held to provide funds for a home for Japanese women, the society voting to take charge of the cake table at the fête.

An appropriation of \$20 was made toward the expenses of the summer school, a project which the College Club of this city is mothering.

Mrs. A. L. Andrews presented the work of the Child's Welfare Committee of the city, giving the details of its reorganized work, and the society voted to renew its membership in that useful branch of social service. At 12:30 o'clock the meeting adjourned and the ladies spent a pleasant luncheon hour in the parish house.

ing the Russian offensive by the Russian chief commander has been found: "Troops of west front—Six months ago with very weakened forces and a small number of rifles and cartridges, you stopped the enemy's advance and after having halted the enemy near Meloditcho you occupied your actual positions. His majesty and your country now expect from you new heroic achievements, to drive the enemy outside the limits of the empire. When tomorrow you will start, I believe in your courage, deep patriotism and love for the Czar, and am convinced that you will do your sacred duty towards the Czar and your country, and liberate your brethren who suffer under the yoke of the enemy. God help our sacred cause."

"It is astonishing for anybody who knows Russian conditions that such an enterprise was begun at the time of the year when serious difficulties may arise any day from the snow melting. It may be supposed that the time has been chosen not by the free will of the Russian commander but by the pressure of the suffering ally."

"If therefore a cessation of Russian attacks is caused, according to the Russian headquarters report, only by a change of weather, this is only a half truth, since the losses are a reason as well as the swampy soil."

"The Russian casualties, according to cautious calculations, are not less than 140,000 men. The Russian headquarters report ought therefore rather to state that the great offensive was made not only in swamps but in swamps and blood."

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## POLICE SHOULD ACT AS WARDENS, THINKS HORNER

Police officers will have to act as game wardens hereafter, if Robert Horner, supervisor, chairman of the police committee, has his way. He has received a number of complaints stating that boys who have robbed the pheasants' nests in the Kalih Valley of both young and eggs have not even been scolded by the police. "Those pheasants must be protected," says Horner. "We have few enough birds in the islands and we should take good care of those few. The police are the men who should take care of them."

According to George K. Mills, one of the men who have written to Horner, nest-robbing is a common thing. He says that he told the police of it, that they found the boys and some dead birds, but turned them loose without so much as a warning. "The should be arrested and reprimanded by the magistrate," believes Mills.

Horner says that he is going to see that they are.

## CHICAGO IS FACING MILK FAMINE; STRIKE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
CHICAGO, Ill., April 4.—Twenty distributing plants are closed because of the milk strike.

Licence Inspector W. Lillis arrested Tom Hennessey a few minutes before 1 p. m., today, for driving without a licence.

The Hawaii Promotion Committee will hold its weekly meeting at the Chamber of Commerce rooms tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Agents have been sent from St. John's, N. F. to the United States and Canadian ports to buy sailing vessels for the fish and coastal trades.

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